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WAR DEPARTMENT,
ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE.
Washington, June 6, 1864.

All buildings and structures of whatever kind, or tents in the possession of the authorities of the United States, are to be regarded, for the time being, as the property of the government, and are to be used and accounted for as such. Officers or enlisted men quartered in such structures or tents in the possession of the United States, no matter whether confiscated, or merely seized and possessed by government authority, are deemed to be furnished with quarters by the government. No such officer or enlisted man is, therefore, entitled to commutation of fuel and quarters, and any commutation, paid in such cases, will be immediately refunded. Officers of the Quartermaster's Department who have paid commutation in such cases, or to any officer serving personally in the field, will immediately report the amount, time, and place of such payments, and the names of those to whom they have been made, to the Paymaster General, in order that they may be deducted on the accounts of those who have received them.

It shall, hereafter, be the duty of all Inspecting officers to examine into and report upon all matters connected with the execution of this order.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR :

E. D. TOWNSEND,
Assistant Adjutant General.

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Assistant Adjutant General.